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NORTH STATE MATTERS

Newly Items Gleaned From
Murphy to Planteo.

Two Women Killed

Gastonia Special.—Sarah and Cora Brewer, two colored women, aged about forty and seventeen, were killed by southbound passenger train No. 11 at Hendrick's crossing, four miles west of Gastonia, at 1.30 o'clock Thursday afternoon. The negroes were riding in a buggy behind a mule, both of which belonged to Mr. Eph Holland, on whose farm they lived. The mule was killed and the buggy completely demolished. Coroner Meek Adams drove to the scene of the accident, but decided that an inquest was unnecessary. The body of one of the women was thrown 75 yards and was badly mangled; the body of the other was merely thrown from the track. The accident was witnessed by the section crew, which was working on the track nearby. The crossing is on a curve and it seems that the engineer did not view the women and the mule and buggy. The women moved to Mr. Holland's farm Saturday and were strangers in the community. The bodies were turned over to a nephew of the older woman and taken to Bessemer City for burial.

Frozen to Death.

Winston-Salem, Special.—Parties here from Yadkin reported that a man, with his two children, traveling in a one-horse wagon, were held on the boat at Conrad's ferry several hours yesterday afternoon, and that the children came near freezing to death. The man, floating down the river prevented the ferryman from operating the boat after it reached the middle of the stream. The man in charge of the ferry found it necessary to get out and wade to the bank. There he secured a rope. Attaching one end of this to a windlass and the other to the boat the man and his children were pulled to the shore. The Yadkin river is unusually low. In some places it is not over two feet deep. This is accounted for by all of the smaller tributary streams being frozen up.

Cylinder Head Blew Out.

Lexington Special.—On account of one of the cylinder heads blowing out of the engine of the south-bound passenger train No. 29, near Conrads, a fireman came to the aid of the engine and five passenger trains were held here until about midnight. When the engine became disabled, the colored fireman jumped, and came near being scalded to death by escaping steam. Though severely injured he was able to recover. Another engine was sent for to replace the disabled one, which was placed on the siding here, and at a late hour the track was cleared.

Tar Heel Topics.

Charters were granted Thursday to the Powell Supply Company, of Fair Bluff, Columbus county, with a capital stock of \$50,000; stockholders Mary D. Powell, G. A. Powell and others; to operate tobacco warehouses, make turpentine and wood products, etc. The Statesville People College (Incorporated) under the control of the Central Presbyterian of Concord, Rev. Dr. Shearer, and others; to operate a hotel, and to operate a factory for the manufacture of boots and shoes, and to operate such factories.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction says applications for what is known as the second \$100,000 of the State's annual appropriation for keeping the public schools open four months in the year are coming in quite rapidly and the division of the sum will be made before long. Warrants were issued today for about 20 new rural public school libraries. One or two districts attempted to secure an extra library, whereas the law only allows one to a district.

The hero of the Merrimac, Richmond Pearson Hobbs, will appear in Charlotte on next Monday week, January 18 and will deliver a lecture on the Star Course of the Y. M. C. A.

The chairman of the Raleigh dispensary board announced that the dispensary will make not less than \$40,000 profit this year. The city's receipts from the bar-rooms under the old system were about \$13,000.

By far the finest specimens of nickel ore ever secured for the State Museum were received by Curator Brimley from the W. S. Adams nickel mine, in Jackson county. There are 20 pounds of it, which shows metallic nickel imbedded in the ore. The quality is very high. The specimen will go to the World's Fair at St. Louis.

Governor Aycock has refused to commute the sentence of George Morgan, of Wilson, who was convicted of gambling and who was sentenced to the roads for four months and fined \$1,000. Morgan is willing to pay the fine, but wanted to escape the road service.

There does not appear to be the least possibility of any lease of the Atlantic & North Carolina Railway.

North Carolina had only one lynching in 1903. The year previous there were eight lynchings in that State.

Governor Aycock has set the day for two hangings. The day set for the execution of two men is Thursday, the twenty-fifth day of February. On that day Jabel Register, white, will be hanged in Whiteville, Columbus county, and Will Boggan, colored, in Wadesboro. Both for murder.

The attorney general of North Carolina has decided that all non-residents who hunt in the State must take out license at \$10, no matter what sort of game is hunted.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE

Resident of Henietta Is Completely
Burned Out.

Henietta Special.—Mr. June Hicks' residence, on Henietta street, between Dr. R. Hicks' and Dr. C. B. Wiseman's residences, occupied by Mr. O. B. Biggestaff, a merchant of Henietta, was, with all of its contents, destroyed by fire at 9 o'clock Monday night. Mr. Biggestaff and wife had gone across the street to Mr. John Lee's to spend an hour with the family, when the fire was discovered and the alarm given. When parties reached the house the fire had gained such headway that it was unsafe to enter the building. However, a few things were saved. The fire started in a closet in the center of the building, near a chimney, and it is thought to have been caused by rats and matches or a defective chimney. Other buildings nearby caught, but were promptly put out by the large crowd that had gathered.

Robbery Near Statesville.

Statesville, Special.—Mr. Ham Smith, a merchant of the Troutman neighborhood, was in town Tuesday, and told of the robbery of his store on last Friday night. An entrance was made through a front window. About \$250 worth of goods were stolen and \$250 worth of negotiable notes. The latter were taken from the pocket of a coat which Mr. Smith had worn while collecting and which he had left hanging up in the store. While there is no conclusive evidence to the perpetrators of the robbery, two white men of another county are suspected. They were in the store the evening before the robbery and their conduct while there caused them to be suspected.

North State Notes.

Mr. George Windle of Hamlet, committed suicide at the home of his father-in-law, Mr. E. A. Alley, at 1315 S. Tryon street in Charlotte on Saturday afternoon by shooting himself through the temple with a 38 calibre Smith & Wesson revolver. He shot himself about 2 o'clock and lived for about an hour, dying at 3 o'clock. Mr. Windle went to Charlotte from Hamlet Friday night to visit his wife and three children, who were there for the holidays. He appeared in his usual health and spirits, and no one dreamed that anything was wrong with him.

Mention has been made of the fact that there has been only one lynching in North Carolina during this year. During the year 1901 and 1902 there were no less than eight lynchings, of which three were murder, three for rape, one for assault with intent to rape and one for poisoning. These lynchings occurred in the counties of Martin, Northampton, Wayne, Moore, Anson, Buncombe and Rowan, two being in the latter county.

The survey for the Raleigh & Pamlico Sound Railway is progressing in a very satisfactory manner. The surveyors are now within ten miles of Raleigh, going that way from Wilson, which is the starting point, and going from Wilson eastward, have reached Greenville. It is said that the money is ready for the prompt building of the road.

A house on North Caldwell street, in Charlotte, occupied by Christian Crusaders, was broken open Thursday night while the inmates were attending services in their hall on North College street. The robbers effected an entrance by prying open a window. Although they broke open several trunks, valises, etc., nothing was taken out except two dollars in cash. The police officers have discovered no clue.

News was received in Winston Friday of a homicide in Stokes county Monday afternoon. Sam Lawson was shot twice by Lefie Sisk, from the effects of which he died Tuesday morning. The shooting occurred at the warehouse of Kelly Sisk's distillery, near Dellar postoffice. Sisk has not been arrested. The sheriff of Stokes county offers a reward of \$100 for his capture.

Thursday was the last day of the bar rooms in Raleigh, the dispensary going in Friday. The bar keepers of that city say in two years bar rooms will be voted back, but the anti-saloon people say that the dispensary will either be continued, or there will be prohibition. The law limits the profits of the dispensary to 80 per cent. but Manager W. P. Bachelor says the average profit will be about 66 2-3 per cent.

W. W. Alverson is still confined in the Caswell county jail at Yanceyville, charged with abducting pretty Annie Yeaman, fifteen years old, from her home at Pelham. Many of Alverson's friends believe him to be innocent of the charge, and if the girl's story is to be believed he is a very persecuted man.

At the annual meeting in Salisbury of the stewards of the Salisbury district of the North Carolina Methodist Conference Friday morning, the salary of Rev. Dr. G. H. Detwiler, presiding elder, was fixed at approximately \$1,400, an increase of \$100. This represents 11 per cent. of the aggregate salaries of the pastors of the district.

In a serious runaway accident in West Raleigh, Friday, Mrs. Tate Butler, Mrs. J. R. Jeffreys, and Miss Port, of the Greensboro Normal and Industrial College, were thrown from the car. Mrs. Jeffreys was seriously injured, and Miss Port was hurt in the face, losing several teeth.

News in Notes.

Secretary of War Root has taken charge of the negotiations with Colombia owing to the illness of Secretary of State Hay.

GEN. GORDON DEAD

Confederate Hero of Many Battles is
Now at Rest

HE EXPIRED ON SATURDAY NIGHT

Much of His Life Since the Surrender Has Been Spent Trying to Heal the Old Breach.

Atlanta, Ga., Special.—Lieutenant General John B. Gordon died at his winter home near Miami, Fla., at 10:05 o'clock Saturday night. His fatal illness, which overtook him last Wednesday, was congestion of the stomach and liver, following an acute attack of indigestion, to which he was subjected.

General Gordon was born in Upson county, Georgia, July 6, 1832, of Scotch ancestry, which had a prominent part in the Revolutionary war. Young Gordon graduated from the Georgia State University in 1852 and a few months later was admitted to the practice of law. Early in 1861 he enlisted in the volunteer Confederate service and was elected captain of his company. He rose rapidly by promotion to lieutenant colonel of the Sixth Alabama Infantry in December, 1861. He participated in the struggle on the peninsula, and took part in the battle of Malvern Hill, and was commissioned brigadier general, November, 1862. He was in command at Chancellorsville and in the Pennsylvania campaign. In an official report to General D. H. Hill, General Gordon was characterized as "the Chevalier Bayard of the Confederacy."

When hostilities were ended, he called his men about him and advised them to bear the trial of defeat, to go home in peace, obey the laws and rebuild the wasted country. He has taken a prominent part in the councils of his party since 1866. He was a defeated candidate for Governor of Georgia in 1868, and in 1873 and 1879 was elected to the United States Senate, resigning that position in 1880. He participated actively in building the Georgia Pacific Railroad. In 1886 and 1888 he was elected Governor of Georgia and in 1890 entered Georgia into the United States Senate for the full term. Since his retirement from political activity he has devoted much of his time in lecturing presenting the North as well as the South in his lecture upon "The Last Days of the Confederacy."

Since the organization of the United Confederate veterans he has held the position of its chief commander, and his frequent re-election to that position have testified to the warmth of affection in which he has been held in the South.

General Gordon had been unconscious nearly all day. The beginning of the end occurred this afternoon, serious complications setting in, and by night his physicians had abandoned all hope, as his kidneys refused to secrete and uraemic poison was very decided. His death was quite. He fell peacefully to sleep and all was over.

General Gordon became ill Wednesday afternoon with acute indigestion. He had suffered from the same trouble in Mississippi many months ago. At 11 o'clock Thursday morning consultation of physicians was held and it was found that he was seriously and critically ill. His son, Major Hugh Gordon, who resides at Biscayne, was with him. A telegram was sent to his daughter, Mrs. Burton Smith, of Atlanta, calling her to his bedside.

General Gordon grew steadily weaker until today when he was unconscious most of the time. General and Mrs. Gordon had been in Florida this winter only three weeks before his death. His health had been unusually good prior to his fatal attack. He had bought a winter home at Biscayne three years ago, and had since been spending a portion of his winters there.

General Gordon's body will be shipped to his home at Kirkwood, near Atlanta, tomorrow night, leaving there at 8 o'clock. It will reach Atlanta Monday afternoon.

The remains of Gen. Gordon will be laid in State in Atlanta and will be viewed by his numerous friends and admirers.

Assembly Meeting.

San Juan, Porto Rico, By Cable.—The last session of the second biennial Legislature of Porto Rico will be opened Monday. Governor Hunt's message will be read on Tuesday and it is anxiously awaited as it is expected to indicate President Roosevelt's policy in the island. The better class has assured the House of Representatives that it will support the measure of a loan of \$5,000,000 to the farmers. The Americans in the council are opposing the measure on the ground of economy, and the House threatens retaliation by killing all the American measures, including the general appropriations.

Dynamite Explosion.

Huntington, W. Va., Special.—A dynamite explosion occurred near Cassville, in Wayne county, Saturday, while a number of employes on the Norfolk & Western extension were at luncheon. Six men were killed and fourteen were injured. The dead are: Thomas G. Frazier, Frederick Marcum, Howard Blaggi, Frank Regor. The names of the injured have not yet been learned.

Far Eastern Situation.

London, By Cable.—At the Japanese legation it was said that the far Eastern situation remained unchanged. No news had been received by the legation and it was believed some days might elapse before any developments occurred, as Japan was still considering her reply and that no news had been received at the legation concerning the reported dispatch of troops to Corea.

RUTH CLEVELAND DEAD

Oldest Daughter of Ex-President Fell
By Diphtheria.

Princeton, N. J., Special.—Ruth, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Cleveland, died in this city Thursday very unexpectedly, the immediate cause of death being a weakening of the heart action during a mild attack of diphtheria. Dr. Wyckoff, the attending physician, said that Miss Cleveland had been ill with a mild form of diphtheria for four days, and that the heart affection was not anticipated.

The Cleveland household is grief-stricken over the death of the oldest daughter and many messages of condolence are being received. The private school which Ruth attended has been closed for the rest of the week out of respect.

President John N. Ninley, of the College of the City of New York, Mr. Cleveland's personal friend, has come here to make all arrangements for the funeral.

In response to many inquiries, former President Cleveland gave out the following statement: "After a few days' illness, which began with an attack of tonsillitis and developed yesterday suddenly into diphtheria, our oldest daughter, Ruth, died today, suddenly."

Ruth Cleveland was born on October 3, 1891, in her father's residence, at 681 Madison avenue, New York, after Mr. Cleveland had served his first term as President. She was named after Mr. Cleveland's grandmother, and as "Baby Ruth" was a great favorite in Washington society during her father's second term in the White House. Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland have four remaining children.

It is now understood that it was the child's illness that prevented Mr. Cleveland's attendance at the dinner to Mayor McClellan, in New York, on January 4.

The funeral services will be held at the Cleveland home, conducted by Rev. Maitland Bartlett. Mr. Cleveland, with President Kinley, of the College of the City of New York, Dean Andrew West and a few intimate friends will accompany the body to Princeton cemetery, where interment will take place. It is said the other children show no signs of diphtheria.

Right to Tax Bank.

Washington, Special.—The United States Supreme Court, in an opinion by Justice McKenna, yesterday reversed the decision of the Supreme Court of the State of Louisiana, in the case of the Citizens' Bank of Louisiana vs. Col. Parker, tax collector of the first district of the city of New Orleans. The proceedings involved the right of the city to tax the bank, but the bank claimed exemption under its charter granted in 1833. The State court held that legislation subsequent to the charter had the effect of revoking it, but Justice McKenna's decision held otherwise. The Chief Justice and Justices Harlan and Brewer dissented.

After Perry Heath.

Salt Lake City, Special.—The Desert News says the government inspectors, including James H. Bennett, of Cheyenne, have been in the city for two weeks in an endeavor to subpoena former First Assistant Postmaster General Perry S. Heath, but have not succeeded in serving the papers. It is said that the papers have been placed in the hands of the United States marshal. Mr. Heath's presence, it is stated, is required in the East in connection with some phases of the postoffice investigation.

To Abolish Office.

Washington, Special.—Secretary Hitchcock, of the Interior Department, has recommended to the President that the office of railroad commissioner, held by the late General James Longstreet, be abolished. It seems probable now that the recommendation will be adopted and that no successor to General Longstreet will be appointed. For two years the Interior Department has made no estimate for the salary of railroad commissioner, the necessary appropriation for General Longstreet's salary of \$5,000 being made by Congress on its own initiative. The duties of the office practically have been absorbed by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Paid Big Price.

New York, Special.—Daniel J. Sully, who gained fame in the recent bull campaign in cotton, closed arrangements today with Edward Morrison for the purchase of his seat on the New York stock exchange and the seat was posted for transfer on the exchange. It was said that Sully paid something in the neighborhood of \$50,000 for the seat. The committee on admissions will act on the case within a week or two.

News in Notes.

It was reported in New York that John D. Rockefeller and his allies had wrested the control of the Steel Corporation from J. P. Morgan and his friends.

On account of the great sorrow caused by the loss of life in the big theatre fire in Chicago, the usual amount of noise at the beginning of the new year was dispersed with.

KILLED AND INJURED

Many Suffer In Another Terrible
Railroad Wreck

CONDUCTOR AND ENGINEER ERR

A Frightful Mistake That Resulted
In the Loss of Many Lives and Produced Much Suffering.

Topeka, Kan., Special.—Seventeen persons were killed and thirty-seven injured in a head-on collision between the Rock Island, California & Mexico express and a freight at Willard Wednesday morning. Most of the injured are in hospitals in Topeka. The doctors announce that all will recover, with the exception of Mrs. M. A. Hill, of Greensburg, Kan.

The dead are: Mrs. J. H. Hill, Greensburg, Kan.; Mrs. W. S. Martin, St. Joseph, Mo.; Mrs. Mary Harville, Chillicothe, Mo.; Ben Harville, son of Mrs. Harville, aged 14; Harville, daughter of Mrs. Harville, aged 3; Mrs. Susan Reed, a sister of Mrs. Harville; James Griffin, Claremont, Mo.; E. E. Mayer, Buffalo, N. Y.; Raymond J. Martin, Chillicothe, Mo.; W. S. Martin, St. Joseph, Mo.; E. R. Rankins, De Kalb, Mo.; William J. Wells, Jacksonville, Ill.; Mrs. Mary Kaiser, Russian, Iowa; Grace Reed, Chillicothe, Mo.; George Reed, Chillicothe, Mo.; unidentified boy, aged eight years.

It is thought that carelessness of the trainmen caused the wreck. Instructed to meet a special freight train at Willard, the engineer and conductor of the ill-fated passenger, noting that a freight train stood in the siding at Willard, rushed through, thinking that the cars that they had seen were the ones which they had been instructed to pass.

Upon seeing at Willard a freight train upon the siding, Engineer Benjamin threw open the throttle, and under the impetus of full steam the passenger leaped into darkness and crashed along a rail, crushing the passengers declare to have been 65 miles an hour.

A formal inquest was held at the wreck today by Coroner Dooly, of Wabunee county. The investigation will be continued tomorrow. H. G. Parsons, a reporter of the Topeka State Journal, who was on the wrecked Rock Island train, arrived in Topeka at eight o'clock this morning, after driving overland from Chicago. He said that the passenger train was struck from behind by a freight train, which was crowded with slight injuries, while two persons on the seat in front of him were killed. Parsons tells the following story of the wreck.

"It was in the third car of the passenger train, the first coach having been preceded by a smoker and a baggage car, that the greatest loss of life occurred. The smoker, which was occupied by only two or three men, was overtaken and pushed through the car behind it, which was crowded with passengers, some standing in the aisle. The first warning given the passengers in this car was when the sudden settling of the car brought them off the light, leaving all in darkness. A moment later a mass of splintered wood and iron was crowded down upon them. None were thrown out of their seats by the glow. Most of those in the forward end of the car were killed instantly. Thirty in the rear end of the coach, however, succeeded in escaping from that end of the car which was half unobstructed. No one in the front half of the car was killed. They were crushed down between the seats of the smoker. When rescue was finally possible only three living persons were taken out by the rescuers, who were compelled to chop holes in the side and through the floor and top of the coach to reach them.

"The three rescued from this portion were a man, a small girl, middle-aged woman, who were being to be taken out. One man, hurt internally, was taken out through the rear door within five minutes after the collision, but died almost as soon as the rescuers could lay him down. A woman died two hours later while trying to tell a physician her name. A dozen men who worked in the place where she seemed to be before she was extricated.

"Bonnie Martin, a girl 11 years old, was pinned down between the two cars, her heavy stove resting on one corner and man, many of them bleeding from wounds about the face and arms, worked heroically to get her out. It took some time to release her. When she was taken out she addressed the doctor, who was bending over her, and said: 'The physician did not have the heart to tell her that she was an orphan, her father and mother having been killed. Mr. Martin died ten minutes after being taken out of the wreck. The child was suffering with a broken ankle, where the heavy stove fell on her, and severe scalp contusions. She was put to sleep by a hypodermic injection to relieve the pain.

"Some of the bodies found in the wreckage were so badly crushed as to be unrecognizable. Through a hole chopped in one side of the car the body of a gray-haired, heavy-set man and a woman with long, yellow hair, were visible. Fires were built along the track at short intervals and by the light of these the rescuers, in their eagerness to remove the victims, chopped openings in the wrecked coaches until exhausted and then they handed their axes to others. The entire sides of the car had been chopped away when the work was completed. Occasionally the rescuers would desert upon an alarm being raised by watchers, who declared that the chopping away of the coach was letting the smoker down upon the victims. So the force of the collision that the smoker left the truck in its backward rush, leaving the trucks still upon the track. Not a wheel in the entire passenger train seemed to be off the track.

The freight train fared differently. The four cars immediately behind the engine were crushed into kindling. Dead and dying cattle littered the right of way, while many which had escaped from the cars ungurned ran about, adding to the confusion.

THE COTTON REPORT

Census Bureau Gives Out Figures on
1903 Crop

THE REPORT SHOWS FALLING OFF

Statistics Compiled From Reports of
Ginners Indicate a Heavy Shortage
In the Crop.

Washington, Special.—The Census Bureau has issued a report showing that there had been a falling off in the cotton crop of 1903, compared with 1902. The report shows that 9,311,835 bales up to and including December 13 of last year. The Census Bureau found that 29,971 ginneries had been operated this season, against 30,194 up to December 13 of last year. Counting round bales as half bales, the number of bales ginned is 8,526,244 this season, against 8,905,503 last season.

This report was followed by two others, showing the quantity of cotton ginned from the growth of 1903 up to and including January 16, 1904, and a final report at the end of the ginning season, about March 15, which will distribute the crop by counties, aggregate upland and Sea Island cotton and give weights of bales. Of the total of 8,848,747 commercial bales for the United States 8,144,493 were square bales, 645,006 round bales and 59,248 Sea Island crop bales. The report by States follows:

Alabama, 946,656 commercial bales against 896,994 last season; 3,850 active ginneries, against 3,889 last season.

Arkansas, 544,680 bales, against 768,861 last season; 2,609 active ginneries, against 2,510 last season.

Florida, 50,049 bales, against 54,443 last season; 269 active ginneries, against 284 last season.

Georgia, 1,202,815 bales, against 1,276,850 last season; 4,978 active ginneries, against 5,046 last season.

Indian Territory, 230,873 bales, against 372,042 last season; 485 active ginneries, against 428 last season.

Kansas, no crop reported.

Kentucky, 428 bales, against 1,027 last season; two active ginneries, against three last season.

Louisiana, 686,620 bales, against 670,485 last season; 2,167 active ginneries, against 2,143 last season.

Mississippi, 1,217,744 bales, against 1,135,567 last season; 4,192 active ginneries, against 2,143 last season.

Missouri, 28,881 bales, against 39,185 last season; 74 active ginneries, against 59 last season.

North Carolina, 502,591 bales, against 517,068 last season; 2,715 active ginneries, against 2,863 last season.

Oklahoma, 155,242 bales, against 163,190 last season; 232 active ginneries, against 218 last season.

South Carolina, 728,828 bales, against 863,089 last season; 3,173 active ginneries, against 3,187 last season.

Tennessee, 210,668 bales, against 272,135 last season; 778 active ginneries, against 815 last season.

Texas, 2,310,725 bales, against 1,674,742 last season; 4,431 active ginneries, against 4,542 last season.

Virginia, 11,145 bales, against 12,537 last season; 116 active ginneries, against 109 last season.

Well Known Author Dead.

Baltimore, Special.—Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Wormley Latimer, the authoress, is dead at her home here. She was 78 years old and had been in feeble health for some time. The shock of the death of her husband, Randolph Brande Latimer, on Christmas eve, was fatal to her. Her husband was a member of the engineer corps that laid out the Baltimore & Ohio railroad.

Dowie Wants an Island.

New Orleans, Special.—Alexander Dowie, self-styled Elijah, reached this city last night in a private car No. 99 of the Arkansas Pass Railroad. Assistant General Manager Agent Lupton, of the road, is personally conducting him. Dowie has been misleading the newspaper men, and his real objective point was not made known until after he arrived here, and that by accident. He is going to Arkansas Pass to look over Montagorda Island with the idea of purchasing it. This island contains 30,000 acres, and if he buys the whole tract, he will remove the "eternal city" from the shores of Lake Michigan to that island.

Merchants' Association.

New York, Special.—Former Pres. William King, of the Merchants' Association, has planned to start February 1st for an extended tour throughout the South and West, with the view to the ultimate formation of a National Merchants' Association. Although no definite plan of action has been formulated, it is the purpose to discuss the feasibility of such a combination with existing local organizations.

The Chinese Treaty.

Pekin, By Cable.—The Chinese government has promised United States Minister Conger to soon forward the Chinese copy of the treaty to Washington for the exchange of ratifications. It is necessary first to obtain the Emperor's seal. After the treaty is ratified the opening of Mukden and Antung to the commerce of the world can be pressed.

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"LAWLESSNESS WALKED THE STATE LIKE A PESTILENCE." GOVERNOR AYCOCK STATED IN HIS INAUGURAL ADDRESS THAT UNDER, AND THEREFORE BY IMPLICATION IN CONSEQUENCE OF, FUSION RULE "LAWLESSNESS WALKED THE STATE LIKE A PESTILENCE, CRIME STALKED ABOARD AT NOON DAY, SLEEP LAY DOWN WITH ALARM AND THE SOUND OF THE PISTOL WAS MORE FREQUENT THAN THE SONG OF THE MOCKING BIRD." HOW STANDS THE CASE TO-DAY GOVERNOR? HAVEN'T THE ACTS OF THREE RED SHIRT LEGISLATURES AND MORE THAN TWO YEARS OF YOUR OWN BENEFICENT RULE PASSED INTO HISTORY SINCE YOU PROCLAIMED THE FOREGOING? WHEN YOU ARE CAVORTING OVER THE STATE WHOOPING FOR EDUCATION AND ROADS DON'T YOU HEAR OF MORE CRIMES BEING COMMITTED IN NORTH CAROLINA THAN EVER BEFORE AND DO YOU CONTINUE TO ATTRIBUTE THESE TO FUSION RULE?

DEMOCRATIC INCONSISTENCY. In 1902 the Democrats waged a great educational campaign in the State and elected an "educational Governor." In 1908 we heard very little about this great educational move. But this year is campaign year and you will hear them holler themselves hoarse for the education of the poor boys and girls of the state. Last year the Democrats invited the temperance forces of the state to join hands with them and they would help them get prohibition. The result was that in nearly every town where the question was voted upon the democrats worked for dispensaries (party machines) instead of prohibition as they had promised.

In 1900 these same democrats promised the people of North Carolina if the amendment was passed not a single white person should be disfranchised, but now after the election is over and the amendment passed Governor Aycock says in a public article, after 1908 those who cannot read and write, both white and black, will be disfranchised alike. Why didn't he tell the people this before they voted on the amendment? He knew it then as well as he knows it now. The democrats promised not to increase our taxes, but in many instances they have doubled the taxes. Will the voters and tax-payers of our state again permit this crowd to lead them into the wilderness—there to be deserted by their leaders?

"The directors of the penitentiary tonight completed their report to Governor Aycock for the year ended yesterday showing a net balance of \$106,808 in cash, solvent credits and farm produce, with no doubtful items, and with enough cash omitted for use this year. There was a balance at the last report of \$21,538 so that the net earnings were \$85,270. There are no debts of any kind."—Charlotte Observer.

Now just paste the above in your hat and take another look at it when the next Legislature meets. We are very much afraid there will not be so large a surplus on hand when the present crowd turns it over to their successors.

Spot cotton sold on the Raleigh market Tuesday for fourteen cents. This is about five cents on the pound higher than at this time last year. There were forty one bales on the market. Many think that cotton will sell for fifteen cents in a few days, which is very probable. A New York banker says cotton will sell for seventeen cents by March, but this will be too late to benefit many of the farmers, but however the farmers are very willing to raise the staple for thirteen and fourteen cents per pound.

We call the attention of our readers to an article in this issue on the States finances. Some days ago the democratic papers of the State announced with glaring headlines that the Treasury was in a flourishing condition with money on hand. By carefully reading the article referred to above you will see that the State Treasury not only has no surplus but is woefully in debt.

THE STATES FINANCES.

THE MEANING OF THE STATE TREASURER'S "CONFIDENTIAL" LETTER.

"Justice" in the Union Republican Turns on the Light as to the Financial Condition of the State—The Cost of Democratic "Good Government."

In your issue of Dec. 10th you had an editorial on the condition of the State Treasury in which you copied from the News and Observer what the Auditor's report would show, in which the News and Observer said:

The total receipts and disbursements of the State for the fiscal year ending November 30th, 1903, were given out yesterday from the office of the State Auditor, who has just completed the work of balancing the books.

The net receipts for the year just closed were \$2,269,638.86. Adding to this the balance on hand December 1st, 1902, makes a total of \$2,322,042.50. The disbursements have amounted to \$2,201,604.31. This leaves a balance on hand now of \$1,200,438.19 a fine showing, considering what has been accomplished during the year, as well as the fact that the \$220,000 borrowed last year has been paid back in full.

The evident intention of this piece, as you show, is to make it appear that the State financially is in fine shape. In your editorial you show instead of being in fine shape there would be a real deficit of more than half a million dollars if we had borrowed no money last spring and had paid the school and pension appropriations before this report had been made.

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT.
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.
B. R. LACY, State Treasurer.
Raleigh, Nov. 20, 1903.

CONFIDENTIAL.

Dear Sir:—To those sheriffs who are complying with the law, this letter does not refer. On Dec. 15th, Dr. Dixon, the Auditor, will send out pension warrants for \$200,000. On Jan'y 1st, the State owes \$75,000 interest on her 4 per cent. bonds, that must be paid to keep our credit at its present high condition. The school warrants for \$200,000 will be sent out in Jan'y. Besides these large amounts it takes about \$75,000 per month for the maintenance of the colleges, asylums and institutions and State expenses, making a grand total that will be due before Feb'y 1st of at least \$600,000. I have less than one-fifth that amount to meet it with. I therefore write fully and frankly to you to show you the necessity of pushing your collections, and also carrying out literally Sec. 84, page 80 of the Machinery Act. I am satisfied of your patriotism, and feel sure that all I have to do is to let you know these facts, and to remind you that the law requires you to settle monthly. Therefore, I expect you to exert yourself in collecting and also by sending it in monthly. Do not wait until you collect a large amount, but obey the law by sending in what you collect each month.

Yours truly,
B. R. LACY,
Dic. B. R. L. State Treasurer.

Why should this letter be marked "confidential?" I voted against Mr. Lacy but he was elected, and having been elected he is as much my servant as if I had voted for him. Suppose I was one of a firm composed of four or five persons and we wanted to hire a bookkeeper, a clerk, an overseer, or any other kind of an employee, and I should want an opinion, while the rest of the firm should want some one else and should want vote me in the matter and hire him, he would be just as much my clerk, or bookkeeper, or overseer, as if he had been my first choice. Just so it is with every State officer, or rather with every officer in the State, from coroner to Governor. This being so why should these circular letters be marked "confidential?" The money the sheriffs collect is as much mine and every other tax payers as it is anyone else's, the extravagance or waste of our money, if there is any, falls on all alike. The debts that our State officers create we all must pay according to our ability. I paid my part of the \$200,000 borrowed last year, just as every tax payer in the State did. My taxes have been raised, just as every other man's in the State has, to meet the increased burdens of this good government with which we are (blessed) today. Then, again, I repeat, why this confidential business? I can conceive of but one reason and that is to keep the truth from the people.

But this letter is a secret and confidential communication no longer.

er and while we are at it let's examine it a little and see if it does not confirm every word in your editorial. In the first place it admits that the \$400,000 of school and pension appropriations were unpaid until after Dec. 1st, when this fiscal year will be closed. This is exactly what your editorial stated. Now if we add this \$400,000 to the \$119,000 borrowed last spring, we have \$519,000 of borrowed money and unpaid appropriations and this letter says the treasurer has less than \$120,000 with which to pay it. This shows there would be a deficit of more than six hundred thousand dollars in our treasury at this very time or that we would have to borrow that much money if we were forced to pay back the money we borrowed and the appropriations due at this time. But the people are supposed to forget the \$400,000 borrowed last spring and when they complain of the increase in taxes they are expected to be satisfied with the explanation that this is an educational administration, and then so far as the other \$400,000 for pensions and schools are concerned they can and have been shoved into the next fiscal year with the hope that the increased taxes will provide for them and if it does not the deficit will not be known until after the next election and then the Democrats will be in four years more and the people can help themselves the best way they can. But this is not all that can be learned from this "confidential" letter. Treasurer Lacy says it takes about \$75,000 a month for the asylums, colleges and other State expenses. Here are only twelve months in the year and twelve times seventy-five thousand is nine hundred thousand dollars. This is what, according to this letter, it takes to run the State outside of the appropriations for the schools and pensions. These are \$400,000 more which makes thirteen hundred thousand dollars that it should cost to run the State, including the school and pension appropriations, exclusive of the interest on our State debt. But this report says it took \$2,201,604.31, a part of which was the \$200,000 we had borrowed, which not being legitimate State expenses should be deducted, this would leave \$1,981,604.31 that was spent for the ordinary State expenses. Deduct from this the \$1,300,000 which the "confidential" letter says it takes to run the State and it leaves in round number seven hundred thousand dollars that has been spent for the interest on our State debt and for some other purposes. Now what were they? This is in part my money. The sheriffs will call on me for my part of it and if I do not pay it he will sell my property for it, and what is true of me is true of every tax payer in the State. My wife's sewing machine, my only milk cow, my horse or my wagon, or any piece of my property may be taken to pay my part of this extra debt. This being so, I am "agin" all these "confidential" letters, and more especially so as \$400,000 of this \$1,300,000 is still unpaid which makes this \$700,000 \$1,100,000 that my property is bound for and bound tighter than any mortgage could bind it. In your editorial you showed that the Republicans spent in 1898, their last year, \$1,283,971.11 which is in round numbers exactly what Mr. Lacy says it should take, but which paid the interest on our State debt and every appropriation. I have not forgotten that we had an educational campaign last year, (1902) and I expect another next year (1904) as both of these are election years and this educational campaign is a Democratic stalking horse. But we didn't have one this year. Was any of this money used for this purpose last year and charged up in this year's account just as the pensions and school appropriations of this year will be charged up in the next years? If it didn't go for this it has gone for something else, but no matter how it went its gone, and we, the tax payers have got to make it good, for these are the days of good State government, that's what the News and Observer calls it, and of course in the eyes of the orthodox Democrat that makes it so, but according to my way of thinking, when I think about my taxes, it comes pretty high. But we must pay and not grumble, as we have to maintain the present high standard of our State credit, which has fallen from over 94 premium under the Republicans to 3 under the Democrats, notwithstanding the volume of money has increased nearly 50 per cent. I have tried to make this matter plain in this letter. It will be printed on the last day of this year, and will be read by the most of your readers on the first day of the new year. What I want to impress on them is that this is the tax payers government and they should assert their sovereignty and take charge. Let no partisan appeal, no negro racket, no false and sentimental lies blind us from the plain path of duty. We owe it to our time and generation to be men; we owe it to our children to be men and we owe it to the world to be patriots strong and intelligent that the hand of the political demagogue and schemer may not guide the ship of State into dangerous waters, but lay it and above all we owe it to the God who gave us minds, like so many talents, to use them as the

Trials of Motherhood

385 Broad Street, PHILADELPHIA, PA., June 12, 1903.

I suffered for nine years with ovarian troubles making life a burden to myself as well as to my family. During that time I had two miscarriages and although we longed for a child to bless our home this seemed impossible. I had constant racking bearing-down pains in the pelvic organs and a peeling through my limbs with frequent headaches. I felt sick at my stomach and vomited frequently and no medicine helped me until I tried Wine of Cardui.

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Saviour illustrated they should be used. That the truth and the whole truth may be made plain and laid bare before those who read the Republican, I will summarize it all up with this report and that of the last year of the Republican administration. The Democrats spent this last year \$2,201,604.31, and this letter says \$400,000 of school and pension appropriations are still unpaid, which, it says, they had been paid before this report had been made, would have carried this amount to \$2,601,604.31 as the real expenditures of this year under the Democrats.

The Republicans spent in 1898 their last year, \$1,283,971.11 and had paid every appropriation, as the report you published shows, and still had more than \$185,000 left in the treasury. This is the truth of history; it remains with the tax payers which kind of a government we shall have. Wishing all a happy and prosperous new year, I shall do my best to make my wish a reality by voting as I pray and thus give this nation another four years of Republican policies with all the blessings they bring.

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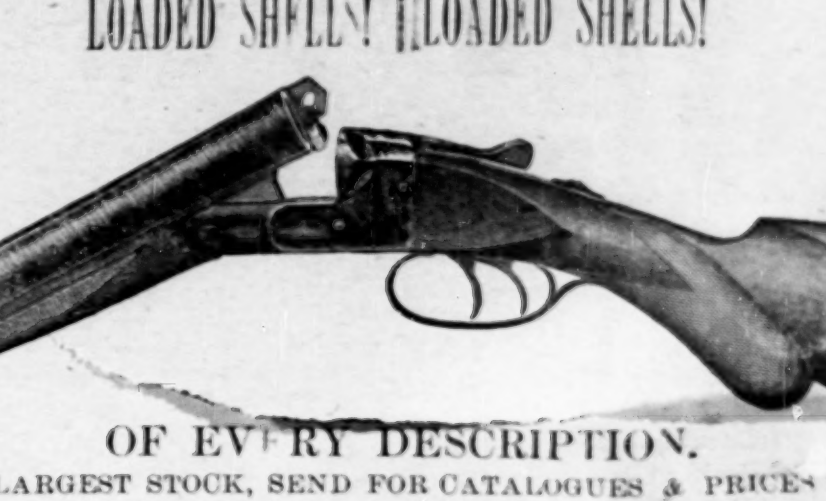
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ROYAL FRIENDS OF BIRDS.

Treaty for Their Protection Signed by European Sovereigns.

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The treaty has been signed by President Loubet, Emperor William of Germany, the king of Sweden, the king of Greece, the prince of Monaco, the emperor of Austria, the king of Portugal and the king of the Belgians, and the document clearly states that the principal reason why it is necessary to protect the birds is because they are of great service to agriculture. This has long been evident, but unfortunately there are many farmers who are still convinced that small birds are a serious menace to crops.—New York Herald.

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When they read in a newspaper that a well-to-do person has died, some of them go to the house an hour or two before the funeral takes place and coolly mingle with the invited mourners. Of course the members of the family do not know them, but they naturally assume either that they were known to the deceased and have come to pay their last respects or that they were invited to be present by some aunt or cousin who are unable to attend in person.



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Farm Topics

DAIRY FARM SIDE LINES.

Along with dairy farming naturally goes the poultry business. And a nice, clean, profitable business it is, too. Here is a fine field for the women folks. They naturally take more pride in chickens than the man does, although now and then we find men who enter heart and soul into the keeping of poultry. There is always a good deal of skimmed milk on the dairy farm which would be a waste to go to waste were it not for the hens. They are the greatest of scavengers. Every drop of the sour and skimmed milk is a delicious morsel for the hen, and she will turn it to good account, too.

Pork also adds its mite, and it is not a small mite, either, to the revenues of the up-to-date dairy farm. During the last few years pork has sold at splendid prices. For the money it brings in, pork involves perhaps as little labor as anything about the farm. Here, too, is a place where one must be in love with his business. That is the only key to success.

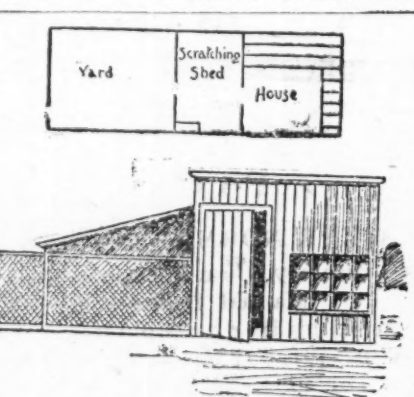
COMMERCIAL FERTILIZERS.

As commercial fertilizers are usually sold they are put up in bags and the formula printed on the bag as required by law. Often times there are a dozen ingredients mentioned and no doubt all of them are contained in the mixture, but, as every farmer knows, or should know, the agricultural value of any fertilizer lies wholly in the amount of nitrogen (generally placed on the fertilizer bag as ammonia) potash and phosphoric acid it contains. Beyond these three ingredients the farmer has no interest. While the commercial value of the plant food varies in different sections the variation is but slight, hence one can safely figure nitrogen as worth seventeen cents a pound, potash four and one-half cents a pound, and phosphoric acid at four cents a pound. Of course the forms of potash and phosphoric acid vary in price, but not sufficient to have much bearing on the total.

We will assume that the analysis on a certain brand calls for two per cent. of potash, eight per cent. of available phosphoric acid and three per cent. of nitrogen (ammonia). This would make in a ton of fertilizer forty pounds of potash at four and one-half cents a pound, \$1.80; 160 pounds of available phosphoric acid at four cents a pound, \$6.40; and sixty pounds of nitrogen (ammonia) at seventeen cents a pound, \$10.20, a total for the ton of \$18.40, which represents the actual commercial value of the ingredients in the ton of fertilizer which are due to the farmer. The difference between this amount and the amount asked for the fertilizer represents cost of packing, labor, profit, etc., invested by the manufacturer. From these figures one can readily ascertain for himself if he is paying a higher price for having the fertilizer mixed for him than is warranted.

LOW-PRICE POULTRY HOUSES.

The poultry-house that is low in price is not, of necessity, an inferior house, for if it is built with due regard to the economy of lumber and the work is done by one's self the cost may be materially reduced. This illustration shows a house that can be built for \$15 in most sections, but at this price little dressed lumber can be used. The house proper is eight by eight feet inside, the scratching shed six by eight feet, and the yard of any dimensions desired. This house will accommodate



SIMPLE POULTRY HOUSE.

a dozen or fifteen fowls comfortably, more if in a section where the scratching shed can be used daily. The upper part of the illustration shows the inside arrangement of the house, and it will be seen that room is economized to the best advantage. In this arrangement the roosts are in the rear of the house and the nest boxes on the side, leaving considerable floor space in the middle of the house. In the corner of the scratching shed the gate and the water fountain are placed and all of the feeding is done in this shed. The opening between the shed and the house is only large enough for the fowls to pass through. From the illustration and description any one can build a small poultry-house within the figures named which will be comfortable and attractive.

During the middle ages gunpowder, clocks, telescopes, parchment, paper, and the mariner's compass were invented or adopted.

No Vowels in It.

Many places have curious names, but apparently there is only one place which has a name without any vowels. That place is the little hamlet of Ws near Paris. Ws being an unpronounceable name, the inhabitants of the hamlet have transformed it into "d's," but this change has not been sanctioned legally, and on all the official records the name Ws still appears. The hamlet has 117 inhabitants, and its sole attractions are the Chateau d'Osny, which has been for many years in the possession of Edmond About's family, and the Chateau de Vigny, which is one of the best specimens of the Renaissance style of architecture.

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PROMINENT PEOPLE.

The late Professor Mommsen had sixteen children, of whom twelve are living.

George Gissing, the novelist, died recently of consumption at St. Jean de Luz, in the Pyrenees.

Lord Cromer, the real ruler of Egypt, has recently issued a volume of translations from Greek verse.

King Leopold has created a new Kongo decoration, which is officially known as the Leopold II. Order.

It is understood that former Senator James K. Jones, of Arkansas, will never again reside in that State.

Pope Pius is an enthusiastic postcard collector. Before his accession to the chair of St. Peter he had accumulated over 10,000.

Major W. H. Hammer, the soldier who pulled the Stars and Stripes from the flagstaff at Fort Sumter, has just taken up his residence in Los Angeles, Cal.

Auguste Rodin, the French sculptor, will succeed the late James McNeill Whistler as President of the International Society of Sculptors and Painters.

The King of Italy has conferred on Sir Charles Owens, General Manager of the London and Southwestern Railway, the distinction of Knight Officer of the Order of the Royal Crown of Italy.

Vice-Admiral Barrera, of the French Navy, who died a short time ago near Nice, was decorated by Queen Victoria for the services which he rendered on the occasion of the wreck of the Drummond of an ancient Roman frontier fortress near Homburg, Germany.

Emperor William of Germany has presented a costly piece of porcelain from the royal Prussian factory to Ross R. Winans, of Baltimore, Md., in recognition of his labors in restoring part of an ancient Roman frontier fortress near Homburg, Germany.

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A.M. P.M. P.M. A.M.

Lv. Weldon 11:00 9:30

Ar. Rocky Mount 1:00 10:32

Lv. Rocky Mount 12:22 7:22

Ar. Rocky Mount 1:05 10:02

Lv. Weldon 1:59 11:10

Ar. Weldon 7:59 5:59

Lv. Fayetteville 4:30 1:20

Ar. Fayetteville 7:35 3:30

Lv. Goldsboro 9:30

Ar. Goldsboro 10:30

Lv. Magnolia 8:30

Ar. Magnolia 9:30

Lv. Wilmington 10:10

Ar. Wilmington 11:10

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Daily, ex. Sun., Daily, Daily.

A.M. P.M. P.M. A.M.

Lv. Florence 10:05

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Her Engagement.

A certain music hall belle, who had just successfully "landed" an old and wealthy nobleman, sued an unpopular theatre manager in London, alleging that he had not paid her sufficiently well for her engagement at his place. She won the case, and was immediately inundated with flowery congratulations from her friends, all of whom were glad to see the manager go down.

Not content with her victory, however, the belle must needs crow over her beaten rival by packing up the choicest telegrams and despatching them to his house, with the intimation that he might make what use of them he thought proper.

She regretted this last concession the next morning. Taking her at her word, the manager pasted the telegrams on a board outside the music hall, headed them "What Miss Flight's friends think of her engagement," and left the public to assume which engagement—the professional or the matrimonial—was meant.

Then followed such messages as "Good for you, old girl!" "Pinned the old horror at last!" "Don't let him wriggle off the hook!" "Stick to him till you get the dibs!" "Congratulations on your splendid haul!"—Boston Journal.

Old Settlers' Reunion.

In a store at North Newport, N. H., recently, might have been seen three men, natives of that village, and a maid from Keelville, talking over old times. The combined ages of the four aggregated 366 years.

Value of Reindeer Skin.

The best protection against cold is the skin of the reindeer. Any one clothed in such a dress, with the addition of a blanket of the same material, may bear the lowest temperature of an Arctic winter's night.

Go right on doing right, at any cost, till death comes. No. 2.

COMPLETELY RESTORED.

Mrs. P. Brunzel, wife of P. Brunzel, stock dealer, residence 3111 Grand Ave., Everett, Wash., says: "For fifteen years I suffered with terrible pain in my back. I did not know what it was and it rose in the morning feeling tired and unrefreshed. My suffering sometimes was simply indescribable. When I finished the first box of Doan's Kidney Pills I felt like a different woman. I continued five boxes, and then I was completely restored. Doan's Kidney Pills act very effectively, very promptly, relieve the aching pains and all other annoying difficulties." Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists. Price 50 cents per box.

May Build National Theatre.

A Breslau journal announces that Gerhart Hauptmann has a plan of building a national theatre, a la Balthus, at Schreiberhau, in the Giant Mountains, where every summer about fifteen or twenty performances of German plays could be given.

Charged With Bigamy.

Minneapolis, Special.—Samuel C. Hazard, alias Samuel Hargrave, a former officer of the United States army, has been arrested in this city for alleged bigamy. Hazard is a graduate of West Point, and served four years as instructor in the army. As a lieutenant in the army Hazard went all over the country as inspector. He also went to Europe, it is said, to inspect the armies of foreign countries, and was held in great favor at army headquarters in Washington.

Wealth of South Africa.

The numerous islands of Patagonia archipelago are covered with evergreen forests capable of supplying immense quantities of valuable timber, while the mountain ranges, being of the same geological formation as those of Chile and Peru are probably rich in mineral resources.

Tealote and Billion Dollar Grass.

The two greatest fodder plants on earth, one good for 14 tons of hay and the other 80 tons green fodder per acre. Grows everywhere, so does Victoria Rye, yielding 80,000 lbs. sheep and swine food per acre. (A.C.L.)

JUST SEND 10c IN STAMPS TO THE

John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and receive in return their big catalog and lots of farm seed samples.

Beware of the man who never did anything wrong.

There's a first time for everything.

A Father's Worry.

Your poor worried wife losing sleep night after night nursing the little sufferer from that night feed for children and how to protect your grocer, should have a bottle of Taylor's Cherry Pectoral. I Sweet Gum and Mullein, an undoubted cure preventive and cure for coughs, colds and consumption.

At druggists, 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 a bottle.

Coughing

"I was given up to die with quick consumption. I then began to use Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. I improved at once, and am now in perfect health."—Chas. E. Hartman, Gibbstown, N. Y.

It's too risky, playing with your cough.

The first thing you know it will be down deep in your lungs and the play will be over. Begin early with Ayer's Cherry Pectoral and stop the cough.

Three days' rest, enough for an ordinary cold; five, just for bronchitis, hoarseness, and a cough; ten, for chronic cough, and to keep on hand.

J. C. AYER & CO., Lowell, Mass.

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NEWSY CLEANINGS.

The tax value of real estate and personality in New York State is \$7,500,000,000.

Statistics show the business of the country in 1901: valued that of the record year of 1901.

The Government receipts for December were \$42,747,532; expenditures, \$32,248,000.

The French Chamber of Deputies has passed a vote of confidence in M. Combes' Ministers.

The Atlantic Transport liner Menominee put into Falmouth, England, recently, disabled.

New Year's gifts by banks to employees were much smaller than those made a year ago.

The ice jam in the Niagara River was said to be thirty-five feet high and the river was dry in places.

The Japanese carry \$38,000,000 of life insurance, \$163,000,000 of fire, and \$305,000,000 of marine insurances.

The new fire ordinance of St. Louis, Mo., will render compulsory a great fire vent over the stage of theatres there.

The Lord Mayor of London expressed the grief of that city over the Chicago catastrophe in a brief message to Ambassador Choate.

The Mormon choir, from the temple at Salt Lake, Utah, is preparing to visit the Exposition at St. Louis, Mo., to sing for the prize.

Refunding operations of the United States Treasury have ceased, the three and four per cent. bonds received reaching \$15,650,000.

The emigration from our Northwestern States to British Columbia leaves us still about a million ahead of Canada in the exchange of citizens.

The export of cattle, hogs and sheep for the first eleven months of 1901 were \$22,020,000, as against \$22,000,000 for the corresponding months of last year.

Swiss Chocolate.

Swiss chocolate is exported to almost every country in the world, in spite of the fact that all the raw materials, including sugar, are being imported.

WINCHESTER

RIFLE & PISTOL CARTRIDGES.

"It's the shots that hit that count." Winchester Rifle and Pistol Cartridges in all calibers hit, that is, they shoot accurately and strike a good, hard, penetrating blow. This is the kind of cartridges you will get, if you insist on having the time-tried Winchester make.

ALL DEALERS SELL WINCHESTER MAKE OF CARTRIDGES.

Perhaps the time will come when the intelligence of the people will make politics unprofitable.

I do not believe Piso's Cure for Consumption is an ideal cure for coughs and colds.—J. B. Bower, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 19